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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

Applicants here respond to the Examiner's Action dated April 29, 2008 (the "Action"). Applicants thank the Examiner for the patience and attention to detail in examining this case. Applicants here make clarifying amendments to better define the claimed invention with respect to the numbers of primers and oligonucleotide probes, and how these two elements inter-relate. Support for these amendments can be found, for example, in Example 3 of the originally filed application. No new matter is believed introduced by these amendments. Reconsideration in light of the arguments and claim amendments is requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page **3** of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page **6** of this paper.